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COASTAL HAZARDS COMMISSION PUBLIC FORUMS MAY 22-31, 2006

PURPOSE

The Coastal Hazards Commission is hosting public forums to solicit input on local storm damage and erosion issues, concerns, and potential solutions.

FORMAT

The chair of the public forum will provide an overview of the Coastal Hazards Commission and then ask for responses to the questions listed below as well as general comments. Interested persons may also submit written comments to Julia.Knisel@state.ma.us. All comments will be summarized by CZM staff and presented to the Coastal Hazards Commission at their next meeting on June 12.

QUESTIONS

- 1. Are you aware of your vulnerability to coastal hazards, such as flooding and erosion? If so, how were you informed? If not, where would you look for information?
- 2. Have you taken action to minimize the risk of damage to your home during storms?
- 3. Given that flooding and erosion are issues in MA, what do you feel are the best management approaches?
- 4. Have you been involved in the development of any local plans designed to manage coastal hazards, such as hazard mitigation or beach management plans?
- 5. Would you recommend other successful shoreline management techniques that MA should consider?

LOCATIONS

May 22, South Shore (7-9 PM)
Chair: Representative Frank Hynes
Scituate High School
606 Chief Justice Cushing Highway,
Scituate

May 23, Boston (10 AM-noon) Chair: Susan Snow-Cotter Saltonstall Building 2nd Floor Conference Room A 100 Cambridge St., Boston May 24, North Shore (7-9 PM) Chair: Susan Snow-Cotter Ipswich Town Hall, Room A 25 Green St., Ipswich

May 30, Cape Cod & Islands (5-7 PM) Chair: Senator Robert O'Leary Barnstable Town Hall, Hearing Room 367 Main St., Hyannis

May 31, South Coast (7-9 PM)
Chair: Representative Susan Gifford
Wareham Public Library
59 Marion Rd., Wareham

For more information, please go to http://www.mass.gov/czm/chc/index.htm or call Julia Knisel at (617) 626-1191.

